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TWINING DECLARES FOR A LOOP STATION

Report of Plan to Abandon Chestnut-Walnut Stop Denounced

WILL BUILD LOCUST LEG

Transit Director Twining today branded as "malicious misrepresentations" reports published in newspapers this morning to the effect that the transit department intended to abandon the proposed Chestnut-Walnut street station in the Broad Street Subway and the curve of the Locust street leg of the subway delivery loop leading into South Broad street.

NO SUCH INTENTION

"We have not now and never have had any intention of abandoning this station. As to the abandonment of the curve from the Locust street leg of the delivery loop into the South Broad street subway, that is only temporary."

The Director went on to explain how the Walton Hotel at the last minute had opposed the application for certificates of public convenience before the Public Service Commission on the grounds that the construction of this curve would mean the closing of the hotel for a long period and a consequent loss of patronage.

Faced with long delay and probably legal action unless the matter was settled at once, the department, the Director explained, waited temporarily for the right to construct this curve in order that the rest of the work on the subway delivery loop might proceed.

The first move to find money to cover the \$2,000,000 deficit, which the Director above it, however, the entire high-speed system is to be completed during the present period of high prices. will be made tomorrow at a special meeting of Council's Committee on Street Railways. The special meeting was called by Chairman Charles Seger at the request of Mayor Smith.

Although the proposition to be considered by the committee will not be to obtain a loan above the \$5,000,000 available for the Chestnut street subway for the delivery loop, as it is not planned to build the Chestnut street line in the immediate future, except in the event no agreement is reached with the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, the plan will mean no delay in the general construction program.

Technically, the Director feels that sufficient money can be transferred from the \$5,000,000 item without legal complications, since the proposed Chestnut street tube will cross the line of the subway delivery loop at Broad and Chestnut streets and at Eighth street.

At Broad street the Chestnut street subway will run over the Broad street subway, which is considered at that point as the western leg of the loop. Therefore, a portion of the supporting walls and the roof of the Broad street tube can be considered as part of the Chestnut street line and paid for accordingly out of the \$5,000,000 item. At Eighth street the delivery loop proper will again be below the Chestnut street tube and the same conditions therefore will obtain.

To make the transfer strictly legal the Committee on Street Railways can take action to authorize the Transit Department to construct those two small sections of the Chestnut street subway immediately. From the construction point the work will be considered a part of the subway delivery loop, but from a financial viewpoint the funds from the two items can be so turned together as to cover any deficit in the loop appropriation.

Should the plan of the Director to transfer the funds from item to item fail, it means that the completion of the entire delivery loop will have to be delayed until an additional loan can be floated to cover the deficit.

The Public Service Commission, according to dispatches today from Harrisburg, has found among the city's applications for certificates of public convenience for the various lines of the high-speed system.

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CONCEIT OF MAYOR SEEN IN HALL PLAN

Employees Find Reason for "Hut" to Serve as City Auditorium

FOR NAME ON BUILDING

City Hall men, whose jobs are not big enough for them to consent freely and yet whose salaries are important enough to make them careful not to lose them, were talking again today about Mayor Smith.

The last time they spoke rather slightly about his tendency that runs to frequent vacations. This time they considered him in connection with the Convention Hall that has been talked about these many years.

So much opposition is being heard all over town, especially by business men who want a big Convention Hall and not a toy building, that the following conversation not far from Mr. Smith's office is interesting.

Analyzed, the conversation today was an adverse criticism based mainly on the Mayor's conceit.

"To get his name on the building is all he thinks about," one of them said.

The talk came up in an argument about what should be done toward the Convention Hall project. The facts in the case were rehearsed; how the Mayor's administration had found \$1,500,000 with which to build a Convention Hall; how this money had been idle ever since, waiting to be used; how it had shrunk to \$1,425,000 with architects' and planners' fees, etc.

MONEY ON HAND

Then they retailed some of the things Mayor Smith had been quoted upon. They recalled from his first message to Councils the gist of that statement, wherein he said: "With a great auditorium completed, business men can rest assured that business of \$10,000,000 annually will be brought here by conventions."

They told how he picked out a site at Twenty-first street and the Parkway and gave everybody the impression all would be well; how he approved the plans of John T. Windrim for a structure that would seat 15,000, which is only 1000 fewer than Madison Square Garden in New York seats. The estimated cost was \$1,000,000.

The Mayor reported, "Boss," the convention hall project is dead. We could not build anything but a big barn with the money we have on hand and we all want something better than that to advertise Philadelphia." That was on January 17.

"And now," said one of the conversing group, "the Mayor comes along and tells us the plans have been revised and that a small building is to be put up with only 6000 seating capacity."

"SMITH'S REAL OBJECT" "Can you beat it? I don't believe even the Mayor has so little sense as to believe it is good judgment for Philadelphia to build a picnic affair like that. It is simply this: The name of the Mayor is going on the tablet will sell who built the hall. Anyhow, he wants to get something done before he leaves his office, and this is about the easiest thing to get done. They say that the department chiefs and architects have promised him that the work can be finished before he quits. And, of course, if he waits for more money to build a Convention Hall our size, the next administration will not be his, and he will get the credit of finishing it. But, say! What can you expect?"

The meeting broke up and the various human parts of it went out to lunch. They put their thoughts a little more picturesquely, maybe, than some other citizens, but the doubts they expressed so earnestly about building a tiny convention hall to seat only 6000 are being considered by other men, too.

Ernest T. Trigg, president of the Chamber of Commerce, said today that the chamber would take a very decided stand, probably by the end of the week. He said the question was being studied on all sides in committee now, and that a report would be made soon.

"We are considering the pros and cons, and when we make up our minds we will make our stand emphatic," he said.

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SAILOR OF VATERLAND HELD BY POLICE HERE

Coal Passer Nabbed When He Asks for Food and Night's Lodging

Richard Jacobs, one of the German sailors who, under orders, wrecked the engines of the German liner Vaterland, at Hoboken, is being detained today by the police until he can be questioned thoroughly.

Ordinarily Jacobs would have received the night's lodging and food for which he asked; but because of the critical relations between this country and Germany and the spy "scare" the police are taking no chances with the blue-eyed, round-faced Teuton.

"I do not know what damage was done to the Vaterland," Jacobs told Police Lieutenant Irving, of the Sixty-fifth street and Woodland avenue station, when he was asked about his part in the dismantling of the engines. "I am only a coal passer, and the officers do not take coal passers into their confidence. About six months ago the chief engineer ordered me to take off the safety valves of my boiler."

"I was told to ask no questions, I thought it was because of the salt that had got on the valves. But later the engineer took charge of them and kept them. They were not put back. I thought it was funny. But I did not say anything. I had only to obey orders."

Jacobs, who was taken to City Hall today, attracted attention when he staggered into the engine company at Eighty-second street and Tincum avenue, last night and asked for a place to sleep, saying he had walked from Hoboken. Because he was a German, he said, he could find no work. He had tried to enlist in the Marine Corps, but did not have the necessary dollar to take out his first papers for American citizenship.

"Are you not going back to Germany?" he was asked.

"No," he said with tears in his eyes. "I have lost two brothers in the war. I will not go back."

Jacobs, whose home is in Silesia, in southeastern Prussia, said the Vaterland's crew of 1200 had decided to less than 200. Several weeks ago he, with 200 others, left the ship and passed the immigrant inspection, he said. Then his troubles began.

PARK EMPLOYEES ASK BIG SALARY INCREASE

Demand for \$135,000 Causes Surprise Among Members of Council's Finance Committee

A request for a total of \$135,000 with which to increase the pay of laborers and employees of Fairmount Park was received by Chairman Gaffney, of Council's Finance Committee, today. In view of the fact that members of Council believe that all the offices other than city departments could be provided with increases for a total of \$100,000, the request has caused surprise.

Estimates of salary equalization affecting all employees in city departments receiving less than \$1000 a year show that \$38,000 will be needed if the plan is to be effective from April 1. Today all of the county offices reported and the only one making no demand for an increase in its payroll was City Treasurer William McCoach, who has but few employees receiving less than the minimum on which the standardization is based.

The action of the Fairmount Park Commission in submitting such an extensive demand comes as a surprise to the Councilmanic financiers, as a few days ago in response to a request for recommendations as to salary increases, the Commission sent a letter saying that the board was neither a city or county body and therefore not under any plan Council might have to equalize salaries.

No action on the equalization salary plan is contemplated at tomorrow's session of the Finance Committee, as Chairman Gaffney plans giving the members ample opportunity to study the increases. With the end in view all schedules will be printed and distributed to members of Council.

CHILD CADET SYSTEMS OPPOSED BY U. S. SCHOOLS COMMISSIONER

Dr. P. P. Claxton Gives Views After Addressing Friends' Students Here

Still He Backs President, Not Being for Peace at Any Price

By M'LISS "Universal military training in the schools," I am against it, emphatically; against it on principle, first of all; and even if I were for it we couldn't put it into effect, because most of the schools are manned by women, and where is the body of women that will deliberately train little children for war?"

Dr. P. P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education, spoke to the children of Friends' Central School today in a graceful address adapted to the juvenile mind, taking as his subject Hector's prayer over his little son, from Homer's "Iliad." "May they say that this man is greater than his father was."

It was only after the address to the children, however, on his way to West Philadelphia to make a train for Washington with the taxicab licking up space, that he broached the topics of militarism and pacifism. And because he is the official father, appointed by Uncle Sam, of all the schoolchildren in the United States, his opinion on military training in the public schools will not, it is expected, be lightly regarded.

"When this hysteria is over," he continued, "or perhaps we had better not call it a hysteria in these serious times—when this militaristic agitation is over, then we will come to realize that instead of spending millions to start children almost in their infancy with the idea of being soldiers, it would be far better if we spent some of that money to train them to be healthy citizens."

"Every year, it is said, about 300,000 children die between birth and six years of age due from preventable causes. About 100,000 or more a little later on in life are invalidated from causes said to be preventable. Suppose every year 300,000 little children were baptized in military training, of whom only 4000 were made physically fit. If we make every man and woman fit, as far as possible, and save annually 300,000 children, what nation in the world could resist us?"

Despite his pacifist utterances, Doctor Claxton declared that he was not a "peace-at-any-price" man. "As a part of this administration," he said, "even though a small part, and it is my duty to uphold its policies."

Committed for Killing Man

Giuseppe Demari, of 914 League street, was committed to await the action of the coroner by Magistrate Medbery, at the Central Station today, charged with having caused the death of Filippo Giordani, of 908 League street, which occurred at the Pennsylvania Hospital on February 26. According to Detective Giomotti, the pair had a quarrel at Tenth and Chestnut streets on the previous night, when Giordani is said to have cut Demari with a knife. Demari is said then to have shot his opponent in self-defense, the bullet entering his stomach.

Files Suit Against Corporation

Irving McCallum, holder of the entire issue of preferred stock of the Henry K. Port Company, American street near Susquehanna avenue, today filed an equity suit against the corporation in Court of Common Pleas No. 2. McCallum seeks to compel the officers to allow him an inspection of the books, accounts, etc., and to enjoin them from carrying out a plan to dispose of the company's real estate.

HID DOPE IN SMALL MIRROR, SLEUTHS SAY

Chinese Arrested on Charge of Peddling Dope by Federal Agents

A small pocket mirror is the hiding place in which "Jim" Tong secretes "dope," according to Detectives Burns and Donahue, who arrested Tong today, accusing him of being a dealer in narcotic drugs in violation of the Harrison narcotic act.

Tong, who is a Chinese, twenty-five years old, 314 1/2 North Eighth street, was arrested by the detectives when he attempted to sell them a quantity of heroin, morphine and cocaine. His room was searched and several "decks" of narcotic drugs, a hypodermic set and opium toys were found, according to Federal agents. They say Tong told them that they could buy drugs from him any time they saw a light burning in the window on the fourth floor of his home. He will be arraigned today before United States Commissioner Long.

PHYSICIAN GETS CITY POSITION

Dr. E. K. Mitchell Appointed Visiting Laryngologist to Philadelphia Hospital

Director Krusen, of the Department of Health and Charities, today appointed Dr. Edward K. Mitchell, 710 West Lehigh avenue, to the position of visiting laryngologist at the Philadelphia Hospital for Contagious Diseases. The new appointee fills a vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. John P. Gallagher.

SPRING OVERCOATS 'BEAT IT' AS COLD WAVE APPEARS

Light spring coats have been called in after one day's service, and winter overcoats were out again today. Forecasters predict that Philadelphia will need need for overcoats and other heavy clothing for some time to come. The balmy spring weather of yesterday, he said, is not due officially for at least a month. At 8 o'clock today the thermometer registered thirty-five degrees, which is about normal temperature for this season. Generally cloudy weather is the forecast for today.



P. P. CLAXTON He is opposed to universal military training in the United States.

Wills Probated Today

Wills probated today were those of Katharine W. Nichols, who died in the Hahnemann Hospital, leaving effects valued at \$12,000; John J. Breen, 3281 Locust street, \$2000, and Ruth E. Patterson, 1649 South Front street, \$3850. The estate of John W. Martin, former wholesale liquor dealer, is valued at \$427,572.41, according to an inventory filed with Register of Wills Sheehan.

Woman Sues School Board for \$1000

Mrs. Lillie Mayo, Ludlow street near Nineteenth, brought suit against the Board of Public Education today, claiming \$1000 for injuries she sustained on the evening of July 29 last by tripping over a rubber hose which had been stretched across the sidewalk of the school board's office building, at Nineteenth and Chestnut streets, by the janitor. The plaintiff asserts that the hose was obscure because it lay in the shadow of a tree.

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